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## ENGLISH TAKE GLOOMY VIEW.

Purchase of Two Chilean Battleships Causes Much Discussion in the Empire.

## LACK OF CONFIDENCE FELT?

Some Believe Lansdowne Does Not Feel Secure in Far East. Others Assert Navy Is Not What It Should Be.

SPECIAL BY CABLE TO THE NEW YORK HERALD AND THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC. London, Dec. 5.—(Copyright, 1903.)—Two deductions and both pessimistic are drawn from the news of the British Government's purchase of the Chilean battleships, *Liberal* and *Constitution*.

One is that the Cabinet would hardly have sanctioned the buying of the ships if Foreign Secretary Lord Lansdowne had been quite confident that peace would continue until this year's naval construction programme is complete. The latest hopeful news from the Far East seems to minimize the value of this first inference.

The second inference, which is drawn in a usually well-informed quarter, is that all is not as it should be with the British Navy. Past deficiencies in ship-building have not been made good, it is asserted, and neither in regard to guns nor to armor protection is the British Navy at this moment adequate to what will be required of it in case of emergency.

It is becoming more and more doubtful every day whether the principle of the naval defence act of 1889, namely, that Great Britain must be equal to the rest to any two existing naval powers, has not been abandoned. In a leading article on this subject the *Globe* admits that the English Navy can, by counting antiquated ships, make a noble showing on paper. But even to the eye of a layman at a naval review, but when any one who knows the ins and outs of maritime warfare, even down to the list, there is a very different tale to tell.

"Comparisons," says the article, "of effective fighting units cause very apprehensions as to our first and only line of defense. The public must wake up to the fact that the duties which will be called upon to discharge."

## ALOE'S NEW HOME.

Ready for Business in Their New and Handsome Store.

To-morrow morning the A. S. Aloe Company will open the doors of their new store, at No. 512 Olive street, a central and prominent location known as the old Post-Dispatch building.

But few persons would recognize the old building as it now appears. Great changes have been made inside and outside. Floors have been lowered and tiled, a new glass front has been put in, new elevators installed and the entire building renovated and decorated with the most extraordinary effort and ceaseless energy. The opening marks the culmination of a long and arduous task. The old store, at No. 414-416 North Broadway, new quarters had to be secured. While the ruins were still smoldering a lease for the new store was secured. The new store, at No. 512 Olive street, was arranged by cable with Mr. Pulitzer, who was then in Europe. The negotiations in the building were begun immediately and have been carried forward day and night.

The new store opens to-morrow morning at No. 512 Olive street, with entirely new stocks in every department. On the first floor will be found the optical goods, cameras and photographic supplies, art materials and all the paraphernalia of the painter and the decorator. The second floor will be used for offices and shipping-rooms, and on the third floor is installed the new complete long-grain rice plant from New York City. Aloe's opening announcement on another page of this paper will be found of interest.

## CANNON ANNOUNCES HOUSE COMMITTEES.

Homeaway Chairman of Appropriations, Judiciary and Foreign Commerce.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Speaker Cannon announced the House committees on the convening of that body to-day. The personnel of the important committees is as follows:

Appropriations—Hemeway, Bingham, Van Dusen, McMillan, Latham, Gardner, Gardner, McMillan, Burdett, Gillett of Massachusetts, Smith of Iowa, Marsh, Livingston, Pierce, Benton, Taylor, Underwood, Brundage.

Judiciary—Jenkins, Parker, Alexander, Warner, McMillan, Latham, Gardner, Gardner, McMillan, Burdett, Gillett of Massachusetts, Smith of Iowa, Marsh, Livingston, Pierce, Benton, Taylor, Underwood, Brundage.

Foreign Affairs—Hitt, Adams of Pennsylvania, Cousins, William A. Smith of Michigan, Chas. B. Landis of Indiana, Perkins, Bailey, Foster, Otis, Capron, Longworth, Dinwiddie, Howard, Burdett, Scudder, Ketchum, Flood.

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Banking and Currency—Powell, Prince, Calderhead, Loring, Douglas, Powers of Maine, Spading, McConna, Womersley, Daniels, Taylor, Lewis, Padgett, Bartlett, Thompson, Fuls.

Interstate and Foreign Commerce—Hopburn, Sherman, Wanger, Mann, Loring, Stevens, Burke, Cushman, Kyle, Townsend, Dever, Adams, Shackelford, Ryan, Richardson of Alabama, Lamar of Florida.

Rivers and Harbors—Burton, Doremus, Bishop, Acheson, Alexander, Laurence, Davidson, McMillan, Lorimer, Jones of Washington, Burdett, Lester, Thomas, Lloyd, Robinson, Burgess, Humphrey.

Minor Affairs—Harris and Fisheries—Grove, Littlefield, Humphrey, Plack, Birdwell, Wilcox, Illinois, Boyd, Small, Davis, McMillan, Littlefield, Golden.

Education—Wadsworth, Henry of Connecticut, Wright, Haugen, Scott, Haskins, Graft, Crozier, Loring, Thomas, Lloyd, Robinson, Littlefield, Golden.

Public Buildings and Grounds—Burdett, Foster of Illinois, Rucker, Glass, Rodey.

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## CHAFFEE HATES DUST AND DISORDER.

Creates Consternation Among the Clerks of the Adjutant General's Department.

## MAKES TOUR OF INSPECTION.

Orders All Papers Not in Actual Use to Be Placed in Fileroom and Dust and Bottles Removed From Desks.

## REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Washington, Dec. 5.—General A. R. Chaffee, who will succeed General S. M. B. Young as Chief of Staff, United States Army, next January, inspected the clerical forces of the Adjutant General's office. He started with the object of gaining more desk room and found dirty and empty bottles.

Many clerks stayed after office hours to clean up their desks, for General Chaffee loves cleanliness and hates empty bottles.

The tour of inspection came without warning. Major Swift of the Adjutant General's office marched at General Chaffee's elbow.

The warrior of El Caney and Luxon passed before desks behind which sat a middle-aged woman. It was piled high with papers.

"What are these?" he exclaimed, picking them up. "Away with them to the fileroom."

A negro messenger next fell in his path. "Pull that desk out from the wall; look at that dust. No wonder you have to have so much sick leave."

More papers were sighted and sent to the

fileroom. Hereafter only such documents as are required for immediate use will be allowed to remain on the desks of clerks.

General Chaffee says they breed disease. He wants the desks spick and span. His troops in the Philippines were always as well as could be expected, for their quarters were as sanitary as they could be made.

Where work was in progress when General Chaffee appeared he at once looked into their desks and his eyes bespoke satisfaction when the contents were stacked in orderly fashion and anger when they were found in disarray.

From one office to another the inspecting party sped. Fleet-footed black-faced messengers dashed ahead with the news. Consternation spread everywhere, except to those whose own ideas of business were the same as General Chaffee's. They stood aloof over the discomfort of their fellows.

In one office General Chaffee vigorously pulled open a desk drawer. On its dust-bottom lay three bottles. A gleam of fire shot from General Chaffee's eyes.

"Are there in those bottles," he demanded, "the hapless clerk interposed. 'Oh, no, sir, we bring only coffee for lunch in 'em.' 'Umph!' said General Chaffee.

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THINKS MARS IS INHABITED.

Percival Lowell on Striped Planet's Canal System.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 5.—Percival Lowell, who knows more about the planet Mars than most Americans do about their own back yards, last night read a paper before the American Philosophical Society, in which he drew conclusions that presume beyond a doubt the inhabitation of our sister world by intelligent beings.

The paper was a detailed account of a series of observations made by Mr. Lowell at his observatory at Flagstaff, Ariz., from which out-of-the-way spot has emanated in the last decade the most important news concerning the striped planet. Briefly, Mr. Lowell ascribes the variations in visibility of the well-known channels on the surface of Mars—assumed by him to be can